# What Will Orthodontics Reduce and Correct?





**OVERBITE** 

**UNDERBITE** 





CROSSBITE

**OPEN BITE** 





CROWDING

**SPACING** 

## Benefits of Orthodontics:

If you want confidence with straight teeth and a beautiful healthy smile, orthodontics may be the answer for you! Straight teeth can also improve your bite and jaw problems, and reduce the risk of tooth decay and periodontal disease.



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## **ORTHODONTICS**





Comprehensive Orthodontics

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## About Orthodontic Treatment

Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics refers to treatment to correct improperly positioned teeth and jaws. Through the use of braces and other appliances, a light pressure is applied to the mouth to gradually move your teeth and improve your missaligned teeth and bite.



# How Long Does it Take?

Treatment time varies and is dependent on many factors particular to your case. On average, active orthodontic treatment takes approximately two years. More specifically and depending on the method of treatment, severity of the problem, and your age; treatment time can range from 1 to 3 years.

# Types of Appliances and Treatments

#### FIXED BRACES

Consists of fixed brackets, wires, and auxiliary components that align and straighten teeth.



### ORTHOPEDIC APPLIANCES

This treatment addresses skeletal imbalances of the face and jaws by influencing growth and development of bones.



#### HEADGEARS

An extraoral traction device attached to braces to influence growth, tooth movement, and anchorage.



#### SPACE MAINTAINERS

When a baby tooth is lost prematurely and the adult tooth has not yet erupted, a space maintainer is used to prevent space loss.



## Who and When?

With new advances in treatment, patients of all ages can benefit from orthodontics. It is recommended that an appointment be made for children by age 7, or at the first sign of orthodontic problems.



## REMOVABLE APPLIANCES

A removable device with an acrylic base and wires to influence and correct the positions of teeth.



#### **EXPANSION APPLIANCES**

Have an expansion mechanism to widen the upper jaw to alleviate crowding and coordinate the fit of the top and bottom teeth.



### TOOTH POSITIONERS

A resilient mouthpiece molded to a corrected set-up the upper and lower teeth, used for bite detailing in the finishing stages of treatment.



#### RETAINERS

This custom made fixed or removable appliance is designed to hold and maintain the position of your teeth after active treatment.

